

1       substantially unique operative [is operatively different in] configuration  
2       that properly functions with the computer [, but substantially functionally  
3       equivalent to the initial digital good] and

4       causing the at least one computer to run the modified digital good.

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6       2. (Once Amended) A method as recited in claim 1, wherein  
7       converting the initial digital good into the modified digital good [using unique key  
8       data to selectively individualize the initial digital good] further includes  
9       manipulating at least one flow control operation within the initial digital good.

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11       3. (Once Amended) A method as recited in claim 1, further  
12       comprising:

13       causing at least one other computer to generate[ing] the unique key data  
14       based on at least one unique identifier data associated with [a destination] the at  
15       least one computer.

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17       5. (Once Amended) A method as recited in claim 3, wherein causing  
18       the at least one other computer to generate[ing] the unique key data further  
19       includes:

20       causing the [destination] at least one computer to provide the unique  
21       identifier data associated with the [destination] at least one computer to the at least  
22       one other [a source] computer; and

23       causing the [source] at least one other computer to cryptographically  
24       generate the unique key data based on the unique identifier data provided by the  
25       [destination] at least one computer and at least one secret key.

1       6. (Once Amended) A method as recited in claim 5, wherein the at  
2 least one other computer generates [the unique key data includes] at least a first  
3 key and a second key, and the first key and the second key are different, but  
4 cryptographically related to the secret key, and wherein the received unique key  
5 data includes the first key .

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7       7. (Once Amended) A method as recited in claim 1, wherein  
8 providing an initial digital good to the at least one computer further includes:

9               dividing the initial digital good into at least a first portion and a second  
10 portion using [a source] at least one other computer;

11               providing the first portion to [a destination] the at least one computer via a  
12 first computer readable medium; and

13               subsequently providing the second portion to the [destination] at least one  
14 computer via a second computer readable medium.

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16       10. (Once Amended) A method as recited in claim 7, wherein providing  
17 the second portion to the [destination] at least one computer further includes:

18               converting the second portion into a modified second portion using the  
19 unique key data to selectively manipulate at least one flow control operation  
20 within the second portion, such that the modified second portion is operatively  
21 different in configuration[, but substantially functionally equivalent] to the second  
22 portion; and

23               providing the modified second portion to the [destination] at least one  
24 computer via the second computer readable medium, in place of the second  
25 portion.

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2 11. (Once Amended) A method as recited in claim 10, wherein the  
3 [source] at least one other computer is used to convert the second portion into [a]  
4 the modified second portion.

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6 13. (Once Amended) A method as recited in claim 10, wherein the  
7 unique key data includes at least a first key and a second key, and providing the  
8 second portion to the [destination] at least one computer further includes providing  
9 the first key to the [destination] at least one computer.

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11 14. (Once Amended) A method as recited in claim 13, wherein  
12 converting the initial digital good into a modified digital good further includes

13 with the at least one computer, converting the first portion into a modified  
14 first portion using the first key to selectively manipulate at least one flow control  
15 operation within the first portion, such that the modified first[s] portion is  
16 operatively different in configuration[, but substantially functionally equivalent to  
17 the first portion]; and

18 causing the [destination] at least one computer to operatively combine the  
19 modified first portion and the modified second portion to produce the modified  
20 digital good.

1           16. (Once Amended) A method as recited in claim 3, [wherein]  
2           further comprising:

3           causing the [destination] at least one computer to provide the unique  
4           identifier data associated with the [destination] at least one computer to the  
5           [source] at least one other computer [further includes:]; and

6           accessing computer identification data within the [destination] at least one  
7           computer and including the computer identification data within the unique  
8           identifier data associated with the [destination] at least one computer.

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10          17. (Once Amended) A method as recited in claim [3] 16, wherein  
11          causing the [destination] at least one computer to provide the unique identifier data  
12          associated with the [destination] at least one computer to the at least one other  
13          computer further includes:

14          receiving user identification data at the [destination] at least one computer  
15          and including the user identification data within the unique identifier data  
16          associated with the [destination] at least one computer.

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18          18. (Once Amended) A computer-readable medium comprising  
19          computer-executable instructions for:

20           with the at least one computer:

21           receiving an initial digital good, wherein at least a portion of the initial  
22           digital good is configured as to not properly function with the computer;

23           receiving unique key data; and

24           converting the initial digital good into a modified digital good using the  
25           unique key data to selectively individualize the initial digital good for use with the

1        at least one computer, such that the modified digital good has a substantially  
2        unique operative [is operatively different in] configuration that properly functions  
3        with the at least one computer [, but substantially functionally equivalent to the  
4        initial digital good].

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6        19. (Once Amended) A computer-readable medium as recited in  
7        claim 18, wherein converting the initial digital good into the modified digital good  
8        [using the unique key data to selectively individualize the initial digital good]  
9        further includes manipulating at least one flow control operation within the initial  
10        digital good.

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12        20. (Once Amended) A computer-readable medium as recited in  
13        claim 18, comprising further computer-executable instructions for:

14                subsequently determining if [a host] the at least one computer is properly  
15        associated with at least the unique identifier data ; and  
16                disabling operation of the modified digital good if the [host] at least one  
17        computer that is not properly associated with the unique identifier data.

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19        21. (Once Amended) A computer-readable medium as recited in  
20        claim 18, comprising further computer-executable instructions for:

21                causing the [host] at least one computer to provide unique identifier data  
22        associated with the [host] at least one computer to at least one [source] other  
23        computer that is configurable to cryptographically generate the unique key data  
24        based on the unique identifier data and at least one secret key.

1           22. (Once Amended) A computer-readable medium as recited in  
2 claim 18, wherein:

3           receiving [an] the initial digital good further includes receiving a first  
4 portion of the digital good via a first type of computer readable medium and a  
5 modified second portion of the digital good via a second computer readable  
6 medium; and

7           converting the initial digital good into a modified digital good further  
8 includes converting the first portion using the unique key data to selectively  
9 manipulate at least one flow control operation within the first portion, to produce a  
10 modified first portion that is operatively different in configuration, [but  
11 substantially functionally equivalent to the first portion,] and then operatively  
12 combining the modified first portion and the modified second portion to produce  
13 the modified digital good.

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15           25. (Once Amended) A computer-readable medium as recited in  
16 claim 20, wherein causing the [host] at least one computer to provide unique  
17 identifier data further includes:

18           accessing computer identification data within the [host] at least one  
19 computer and including the computer identification data within the unique  
20 identifier data associated with the [host] at least one computer.

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1           26. (Once Amended) A computer-readable medium as recited in  
2 claim 20, wherein causing the [host] at least one computer to provide unique  
3 identifier data further includes:

4           receiving user identification data and including the user identification data  
5 within the unique identifier data associated with the [host] at least one computer.

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7           27. (Once Amended) A computer-readable medium comprising  
8 computer-executable instructions for:

9           receiving unique identifier data associated with [a host] at least one  
10 computer;

11           generating unique key data based on at least the unique identifier data;

12           converting at least a portion of an initial digital good using the unique key  
13 data to selectively individualize the portion of the initial digital good, such that a  
14 modified portion of the digital good is produced that is operatively different in  
15 configuration[, but substantially functionally equivalent to the initial portion of the  
16 digital good]; and

17           providing at least the modified portion of the digital good and at least a  
18 portion of the unique key data to the [host] at least one computer.

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20           29. (Once Amended) A computer-readable medium as recited in  
21 claim 27, wherein generating the unique key data further includes:

22           cryptographically generating the unique key data based on the unique  
23 identifier data provided by the [host] at least one computer and at least one secret  
24 key.

1           31. (Once Amended) A computer-readable medium as recited in  
2 claim 29, wherein converting at least portion of the initial digital good using the  
3 unique key data further includes:

4           dividing the initial digital good into at least a first portion and a second  
5 portion;

6           providing the first portion to the [host] at least one computer via a first  
7 computer readable medium;

8           converting the second portion using the second key to selectively  
9 manipulate at least one flow control operation within the second portion, such that  
10 a modified second portion is produced that is operatively different in  
11 configuration[, but substantially functionally equivalent to the second portion];  
12 and

13           providing the modified second portion and the first key to the [host] at least  
14 one computer via a second computer readable medium.

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16           34. (Once Amended) An [arrangement] apparatus for use in a host  
17 computer, the [arrangement] apparatus comprising:

18           an individualizer configured to receive unique key data and at least a  
19 portion of an initial digital good [from at least one source computer], and produce  
20 at least a portion of a modified digital good using the unique key data to  
21 selectively individualize the initial digital good for use with the host computer,  
22 and such that the modified digital good is operatively different in configuration[,  
23 but substantially functionally equivalent to] than the initial digital good.

1           35. (Once Amended) An [arrangement] apparatus as recited in claim  
2 34, wherein the individualizer is further configured to selectively individualize the  
3 initial digital good by selectively manipulating at least one program flow control  
4 operation within the initial digital good.

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6           36. (Once Amended) An [arrangement] apparatus as recited in claim  
7 34, wherein the unique key data is cryptographically related to unique identifier  
8 data associated with the host computer.

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10          37. (Once Amended) An [arrangement] apparatus as recited in claim  
11 [34] 36, further comprising:

12            an identifier configured to output the unique identifier data associated with  
13 the host computer to the source computer.

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15          38. (Once Amended) An [arrangement] apparatus as recited in claim  
16 34, further comprising:

17            a program combiner configured to receive a modified first portion of the  
18 digital good from the individualizer and a modified second portion from the source  
19 computer, and output the modified digital good by combining the modified first  
20 portion with the modified second portion.

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22          39. (Once Amended) An [arrangement] apparatus as recited in claim  
23 34, wherein the modified digital good is operatively configured to selectively  
24 verify that the host computer is properly associated with the unique identifier data  
25 output by the identifier.

1           40. (Once Amended) An [arrangement] apparatus as recited in claim  
2 34, wherein the modified digital good is operatively configured to selectively  
3 verify that the host computer is properly associated with the unique key data.

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5           41. (Once Amended) An [arrangement] apparatus as recited in claim  
6 37, wherein the identifier is further configured to access computer identification  
7 data within the host computer and include the computer identification data within  
8 the unique identifier data associated with the host computer.

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10          42. (Once Amended) An [arrangement] apparatus as recited in claim  
11 37, wherein the identifier is further configured to receive user identification data at  
12 the host computer and include the user identification data within the unique  
13 identifier data associated with the host computer.

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15          43. (Once Amended) An [arrangement] apparatus for use in a source  
16 computer, the [arrangement] apparatus comprising:

17           a key generator configured to receive a unique identifier data from a  
18 destination computer and generate unique key data based on the received unique  
19 identifier data associated with the destination computer; and

20           an individualizer configured to receive the unique key data and at least a  
21 portion of an initial digital good and output at least a portion of a modified digital  
22 good using the unique key data to selectively individualize the initial digital good,  
23 such that the modified digital good is operatively different in configuration[, but  
24 substantially functionally equivalent to] than the initial digital good.

1           44. (Once Amended) An [arrangement] apparatus as recited in claim  
2 43, wherein the individualizer is further configured to selectively individualize the  
3 initial digital good by manipulating at least one program flow control operation  
4 within the initial digital good.

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6           45. (Once Amended) An [arrangement] apparatus as recited in claim  
7 43, further comprising:

8           a splitter configured to divide the initial digital good into at least a first  
9 portion and a second portion, provide the first portion to the individualizer, and  
10 provide the second portion to the destination computer.

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12          46. (Once Amended) An [arrangement] apparatus as recited in claim  
13 45, wherein the key generator is further configured to cryptographically generate  
14 the unique key data based on the unique identifier data and at least one secret key,  
15 the unique key data includes at least a first key and a second key which are unique,  
16 but cryptographically related to the secret key, and wherein the key generator is  
17 configured to provide the first key is to the individualizer, and the second key to  
18 the destination computer.

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20          47. (Once Amended) An [arrangement] apparatus as recited in claim  
21 46, wherein the individualizer is further configured to use the second key to  
22 selectively individualize the second portion, such that a resulting modified second  
23 portion is operatively different in configuration from the second portion[, but  
24 substantially functionally equivalent to the second portion].

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1           48. (Once Amended) An [arrangement] apparatus as recited in claim  
2 45, wherein the splitter is further configured to allow the first portion to be  
3 provided to the destination computer via a first computer readable medium, and to  
4 provide the modified second portion to the destination computer via a second  
5 computer readable medium that is a different type of computer readable medium  
6 than the first computer readable medium.

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8           49. (Once Amended) An [arrangement] apparatus as recited in claim  
9 48, wherein the first computer readable medium includes a fixed computer  
10 readable medium and the second computer readable medium includes a network  
11 communication.

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13          50. (Once Amended) A system comprising:  
14           an identifier configured to output unique identifier data associated with a  
15 computer;  
16           a key generator coupled to receive the unique identifier data and generate at  
17 least one unique key data based on the received unique identifier data; and  
18           at least one individualizer configured to receive the unique key data and at  
19 least a portion of an initial digital good and output at least a portion of a modified  
20 digital good using the unique key data to selectively individualize the initial digital  
21 good, such that the modified digital good is operatively different in configuration[,  
22 but substantially functionally equivalent to] than the initial digital good.

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1       58. (Once Amended) A system as recited in claim 57, wherein the  
2 first individualizer is further configured to use the first key to selectively  
3 individualize the first portion, such that the resulting modified first portion is  
4 operatively different in configuration from the first portion[, but substantially  
5 functionally equivalent to the first portion].

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7       59. (Once Amended) A system as recited in claim 58, wherein the  
8 second individualizer is further configured to use the second key to selectively  
9 individualize the second portion, such that the resulting modified second portion is  
10 operatively different in configuration from the second portion[, but substantially  
11 functionally equivalent to the second portion].

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1 A method comprising:

2        3 providing an initial digital good to at least one computer, wherein at least a  
3        4 portion of the initial digital good is configured as to not properly function with the  
5        6 computer;

7        7 with the at least one computer:

8        8 receiving unique key data;

9        9 converting the initial digital good into a modified digital good using  
10        10 the unique key data to selectively individualize the initial digital good for  
11        11 use with the computer, such that the modified digital good has a  
12        12 substantially unique operative configuration that properly functions with  
13        13 the computer and

14        14 causing the at least one computer to run the modified digital good.

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16        2. A method as recited in claim 1, wherein converting the initial digital  
17        17 good into the modified digital good further includes manipulating at least one flow  
18        18 control operation within the initial digital good.

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20        3. A method as recited in claim 1, further comprising:  
21        21 causing at least one other computer to generate the unique key data based  
22        22 on at least one unique identifier data associated with the at least one computer.

1                   4. A method as recited in claim 3, further comprising:  
2                   selectively limiting operation of the modified digital good to computers that  
3                   are properly associated with at least the unique identifier data.

4                   5. A method as recited in claim 3, wherein causing the at least one  
5                   other computer to generate the unique key data further includes:

6                   causing the at least one computer to provide the unique identifier data  
7                   associated with the at least one computer to the at least one other computer; and

8                   causing the at least one other computer to cryptographically generate the  
9                   unique key data based on the unique identifier data provided by the at least one  
10                   computer and at least one secret key.

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12                   6. A method as recited in claim 5, wherein the at least one other  
13                   computer generates at least a first key and a second key, and the first key and the  
14                   second key are different, but cryptographically related to the secret key, and  
15                   wherein the received unique key data includes the first key .

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17                   7. A method as recited in claim 1, wherein providing an initial digital  
18                   good to the at least one computer further includes:

19                   dividing the initial digital good into at least a first portion and a second  
20                   portion using at least one other computer;

21                   providing the first portion to the at least one computer via a first computer  
22                   readable medium; and

23                   subsequently providing the second portion to the at least one computer via a  
24                   second computer readable medium.

1           8. A method as recited in claim 7, wherein the first computer readable  
2 medium includes a different type of computer readable medium than the second  
3 computer readable medium.

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5           9. A method as recited in claim 8, wherein the first computer readable  
6 medium includes a fixed computer readable medium and the second computer  
7 readable medium includes a network communication.

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9           10. (Once Amended) A method as recited in claim 7, wherein providing  
10 the second portion to the at least one computer further includes:

11           11. Converting the second portion into a modified second portion using the  
12 unique key data to selectively manipulate at least one flow control operation  
13 within the second portion, such that the modified second portion is operatively  
14 different in configuration to the second portion; and

15           12. Providing the modified second portion to the at least one computer via the  
16 second computer readable medium, in place of the second portion.

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18           13. A method as recited in claim 10, wherein the at least one other  
19 computer is used to convert the second portion into the modified second portion.

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21           14. A method as recited in claim 10, wherein the unique key data  
22 includes at least a first key and a second key, and converting the second portion  
23 into a modified second portion further includes using the second key to selectively  
24 manipulate at least one flow control operation within the second portion.

1           13. A method as recited in claim 10, wherein the unique key data  
2 includes at least a first key and a second key, and providing the second portion to  
3 the at least one computer further includes providing the first key to the at least one  
4 computer.

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6           14. A method as recited in claim 13, wherein converting the initial  
7 digital good into a modified digital good further includes

8                 with the at least one computer, converting the first portion into a modified  
9 first portion using the first key to selectively manipulate at least one flow control  
10 operation within the first portion, such that the modified first portion is operatively  
11 different in configuration[, but substantially functionally equivalent to the first  
12 portion]; and

13                 causing the at least one computer to operatively combine the modified first  
14 portion and the modified second portion to produce the modified digital good.

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16           15. A method as recited in claim 13, further comprising:

17                 selectively limiting operation of the modified digital good to computers that  
18 are properly associated with at least the first key.

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20           16. A method as recited in claim 3, further comprising:

21                 causing the at least one computer to provide the unique identifier data  
22 associated with the at least one computer to the at least one other computer; and

23                 accessing computer identification data within the at least one computer and  
24 including the computer identification data within the unique identifier data  
25 associated with the at least one computer.

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2 17. A method as recited in claim 16, wherein causing the at least one  
3 computer to provide the unique identifier data associated with the at least one  
4 computer to the at least one other computer further includes:

5 receiving user identification data at the at least one computer and including  
6 the user identification data within the unique identifier data associated with the at  
7 least one computer.

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9 18. A computer-readable medium comprising computer-executable  
10 instructions for:

11 with the at least one computer:  
12 receiving an initial digital good, wherein at least a portion of the initial  
13 digital good is configured as to not properly function with the computer;

14 receiving unique key data; and  
15 converting the initial digital good into a modified digital good using the  
16 unique key data to selectively individualize the initial digital good for use with the  
17 at least one computer, such that the modified digital good has a substantially  
18 unique operative [is operatively different in] configuration that properly functions  
19 with the at least one computer.

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21 19. A computer-readable medium as recited in claim 18, wherein  
22 converting the initial digital good into the modified digital good further includes  
23 manipulating at least one flow control operation within the initial digital good.

1           20. A computer-readable medium as recited in claim 18, comprising  
2 further computer-executable instructions for:

3           subsequently determining if the at least one computer is properly associated  
4 with at least the unique identifier data ; and

5           disabling operation of the modified digital good if the at least one computer  
6 that is not properly associated with the unique identifier data.

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8           21. A computer-readable medium as recited in claim 18, comprising  
9 further computer-executable instructions for:

10           causing the at least one computer to provide unique identifier data  
11 associated with the at least one computer to at least one other computer that is  
12 configurable to cryptographically generate the unique key data based on the  
13 unique identifier data and at least one secret key.

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15           22. A computer-readable medium as recited in claim 18, wherein:

16           receiving the initial digital good further includes receiving a first portion of  
17 the digital good via a first type of computer readable medium and a modified  
18 second portion of the digital good via a second computer readable medium; and

19           converting the initial digital good into a modified digital good further  
20 includes converting the first portion using the unique key data to selectively  
21 manipulate at least one flow control operation within the first portion, to produce a  
22 modified first portion that is operatively different in configuration, and then  
23 operatively combining the modified first portion and the modified second portion  
24 to produce the modified digital good.

1           23. A computer-readable medium as recited in claim 22, wherein the  
2 first computer readable medium includes a different type of computer readable  
3 medium than the second computer readable medium.

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5           24. A computer-readable medium as recited in claim 23, wherein the  
6 first computer readable medium includes a fixed computer readable medium and  
7 the second computer readable medium includes a network communication.

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10         25. A computer-readable medium as recited in claim 20, wherein  
11 causing the at least one computer to provide unique identifier data further  
12 includes:

13           accessing computer identification data within the at least one computer and  
14 including the computer identification data within the unique identifier data  
15 associated with the at least one computer.

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17         26. A computer-readable medium as recited in claim 20, wherein  
18 causing the at least one computer to provide unique identifier data further  
19 includes:

20           receiving user identification data and including the user identification data  
21 within the unique identifier data associated with the at least one computer.

1           27. A computer-readable medium comprising computer-executable  
2 instructions for:

3           receiving unique identifier data associated with at least one computer;  
4           generating unique key data based on at least the unique identifier data;  
5           converting at least a portion of an initial digital good using the unique key  
6 data to selectively individualize the portion of the initial digital good, such that a  
7 modified portion of the digital good is produced that is operatively different in  
8 configuration; and

9           providing at least the modified portion of the digital good and at least a  
10 portion of the unique key data to the at least one computer.

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12           28. A computer-readable medium as recited in claim 27, wherein  
13 converting at least the portion of the initial digital good using the unique key data  
14 to selectively individualize the portion of the initial digital good further includes  
15 manipulating at least one flow control operation within the portion of the initial  
16 digital good.

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18           29. A computer-readable medium as recited in claim 27, wherein  
19 generating the unique key data further includes:

20           cryptographically generating the unique key data based on the unique  
21 identifier data provided by the at least one computer and at least one secret key.

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23           30. A computer-readable medium as recited in claim 29, wherein the  
24 unique key data includes at least a first key and a second key, and the first key and  
25 the second key are different, but cryptographically related to the secret key.

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2 31. A computer-readable medium as recited in claim 29, wherein  
3 converting at least portion of the initial digital good using the unique key data  
4 further includes:

5 dividing the initial digital good into at least a first portion and a second  
6 portion;

7 providing the first portion to the at least one computer via a first computer  
8 readable medium;

9 converting the second portion using the second key to selectively  
10 manipulate at least one flow control operation within the second portion, such that  
11 a modified second portion is produced that is operatively different in  
12 configuration[, but substantially functionally equivalent to the second portion];  
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14 providing the modified second portion and the first key to the at least one  
15 computer via a second computer readable medium.

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17 32. A computer-readable medium as recited in claim 31, wherein the  
18 first computer readable medium includes a different type of computer readable  
19 medium than the second computer readable medium.

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21 33. A computer-readable medium as recited in claim 32, wherein the  
22 first computer readable medium includes a fixed computer readable medium and  
23 the second computer readable medium includes a network communication.

1           34. An apparatus for use in a host computer, the apparatus comprising:  
2           an individualizer configured to receive unique key data and at least a  
3           portion of an initial digital good, and produce at least a portion of a modified  
4           digital good using the unique key data to selectively individualize the initial digital  
5           good for use with the host computer, and such that the modified digital good is  
6           operatively different in configuration[, but substantially functionally equivalent to]  
7           than the initial digital good.

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9           35. An apparatus as recited in claim 34, wherein the individualizer is  
10           further configured to selectively individualize the initial digital good by selectively  
11           manipulating at least one program flow control operation within the initial digital  
12           good.

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14           36. An apparatus as recited in claim 34, wherein the unique key data is  
15           cryptographically related to unique identifier data associated with the host  
16           computer.

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18           37. An apparatus as recited in claim 36, further comprising:  
19           an identifier configured to output the unique identifier data associated with  
20           the host computer to the source computer.

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22           38. An apparatus as recited in claim 34, further comprising:  
23           a program combiner configured to receive a modified first portion of the  
24           digital good from the individualizer and a modified second portion from the source  
25           computer, and output the modified digital good by combining the modified first  
portion with the modified second portion.

1           39. An apparatus as recited in claim 34, wherein the modified digital  
2 good is operatively configured to selectively verify that the host computer is  
3 properly associated with the unique identifier data output by the identifier.

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5           40. An apparatus as recited in claim 34, wherein the modified digital  
6 good is operatively configured to selectively verify that the host computer is  
7 properly associated with the unique key data.

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9           41. An apparatus as recited in claim 37, wherein the identifier is further  
10 configured to access computer identification data within the host computer and  
11 include the computer identification data within the unique identifier data  
12 associated with the host computer.

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14           42. An apparatus as recited in claim 37, wherein the identifier is further  
15 configured to receive user identification data at the host computer and include the  
16 user identification data within the unique identifier data associated with the host  
17 computer.

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19           43. An apparatus for use in a source computer, the apparatus  
20 comprising:

21           a key generator configured to receive a unique identifier data from a  
22 destination computer and generate unique key data based on the received unique  
23 identifier data associated with the destination computer; and

24           an individualizer configured to receive the unique key data and at least a  
25 portion of an initial digital good and output at least a portion of a modified digital

1 good using the unique key data to selectively individualize the initial digital good,  
2 such that the modified digital good is operatively different in configuration than  
3 the initial digital good.

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5 44. An apparatus as recited in claim 43, wherein the individualizer is  
6 further configured to selectively individualize the initial digital good by  
7 manipulating at least one program flow control operation within the initial digital  
8 good.

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10 45. An apparatus as recited in claim 43, further comprising:  
11 a splitter configured to divide the initial digital good into at least a first  
12 portion and a second portion, provide the first portion to the individualizer, and  
13 provide the second portion to the destination computer.

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15 46. An apparatus as recited in claim 45, wherein the key generator is  
16 further configured to cryptographically generate the unique key data based on the  
17 unique identifier data and at least one secret key, the unique key data includes at  
18 least a first key and a second key which are unique, but cryptographically related  
19 to the secret key, and wherein the key generator is configured to provide the first  
20 key to the individualizer, and the second key to the destination computer.

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22 47. An apparatus as recited in claim 46, wherein the individualizer is  
23 further configured to use the second key to selectively individualize the second  
24 portion, such that a resulting modified second portion is operatively different in  
25 configuration from the second portion.

1           48. An apparatus as recited in claim 45, wherein the splitter is further  
2 configured to allow the first portion to be provided to the destination computer via  
3 a first computer readable medium, and to provide the modified second portion to  
4 the destination computer via a second computer readable medium that is a  
5 different type of computer readable medium than the first computer readable  
6 medium.

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8           49. An apparatus as recited in claim 48, wherein the first computer  
9 readable medium includes a fixed computer readable medium and the second  
10 computer readable medium includes a network communication.

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12           50. A system comprising:  
13           an identifier configured to output unique identifier data associated with a  
14 computer;  
15           a key generator coupled to receive the unique identifier data and generate at  
16 least one unique key data based on the received unique identifier data; and  
17           at least one individualizer configured to receive the unique key data and at  
18 least a portion of an initial digital good and output at least a portion of a modified  
19 digital good using the unique key data to selectively individualize the initial digital  
20 good, such that the modified digital good is operatively different in configuration  
21 than the initial digital good.

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23           51. A system as recited in claim 50, wherein the individualizer is further  
24 configured to selectively individualize the initial digital good by manipulating at  
25 least one program flow control operation within the initial digital good.

1           52. A system as recited in claim 50, further comprising:  
2           at least one source computer; and  
3           at least one destination computer coupled to the source computer.

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5           53. A system as recited in claim 52, wherein the identifier is provided  
6           within the destination computer and is configured to output unique identifier data  
7           associated with the destination computer to the source computer, and the key  
8           generator and individualizer are each provided within the source computer.

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10           10 54. A system as recited in claim 52, wherein the identifier is provided  
11           within the destination computer and is configured to output unique identifier data  
12           associated with the destination computer to the source computer, the key generator  
13           is provided within the source computer, and the individualizer is provided within  
14           the destination computer.

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16           15 55. A system as recited in claim 52, wherein the identifier is provided  
17           within the destination computer and is configured to output unique identifier data  
18           associated with the destination computer to the source computer, the key generator  
19           is provided within the source computer, a first individualizer is provided within  
20           the destination computer, and a second individualizer is provided within the source  
21           computer.

1       56. A system as recited in claim 55, further comprising:

2           a splitter provided within the source computer and configured to divide the  
3 initial digital good into at least a first portion and a second portion, provide the  
4 first portion to the first individualizer, and provide the second portion to the  
5 second individualizer.

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7       57. A system as recited in claim 56, wherein the key generator is further

8 configured to cryptographically generate the unique key data based on the unique  
9 identifier data and at least one secret key, the unique key data includes at least a  
10 first key and a second key which are unique, but cryptographically related to the  
11 secret key, the first key is provided to the first individualizer, and the second key  
12 is provided to the second individualizer.

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14       58. A system as recited in claim 57, wherein the first individualizer is

15 further configured to use the first key to selectively individualize the first portion,  
16 such that the resulting modified first portion is operatively different in  
17 configuration from the first portion.

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19       59. A system as recited in claim 58, wherein the second individualizer is

20 further configured to use the second key to selectively individualize the second  
21 portion, such that the resulting modified second portion is operatively different in  
22 configuration from the second portion.

1           60. A system as recited in claim 59, further comprising:

2           a combiner provided within the destination computer and configured to  
3 receive the modified first portion from the first individualizer and the modified  
4 second portion from the second individualizer, and output the modified digital  
5 good by combining the modified first portion with the modified second portion.

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7           61. A system as recited in claim 50, wherein the modified digital good is  
8 operatively configured to selectively verify that the destination computer is  
9 properly associated with the unique identifier data output by the identifier.

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12           62. A system as recited in claim 50, wherein the modified digital good  
13 is operatively configured to selectively verify that the destination computer is  
14 properly associated with the first key as provided by the key generator.

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17           63. A system as recited in claim 56, wherein the first portion is provided  
18 to the destination computer via a first computer readable medium, the modified  
19 second portion is provided to the destination computer via a second computer  
readable medium that is a different type of computer readable medium than the  
first computer readable medium.

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21           64. A system as recited in claim 63, wherein the first computer readable  
22 medium includes a fixed computer readable medium and the second computer  
23 readable medium includes a network communication.

1           65. A system as recited in claim 50, wherein the identifier is further  
2 configured to access computer identification data within a destination computer  
3 and includes the computer identification data within the unique identifier data  
4 associated with the destination computer.

5           66. A system as recited in claim 45, wherein the identifier is further  
6 configured to receive user identification data at a destination computer and include  
7 the user identification data within the unique identifier data associated with the  
8 destination computer.

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